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CIVIL AVIATION
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CONSTRUCTION OF NEW AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals from some State Governments for construction of new airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon; and

(d) the time by which these airports are likely to be constructed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) and (b) A number of cities and towns have been proposed by the concerned State Governments for construction of new airports. For instance, Pakyong, Gangtok in Sikkim, Chiethu, Kohima in Nagaland, Mopa, Panaji in Goa, Chakan, Pune & Navi Mumbai in Maharashtra, Ludhiana in Punjab, Ajmer in Rajasthan, Devanahalli (Bangalore), Gulbarga, Bellary & Bijapur in Karnataka, Shamshabad (Hyderabad) in Andhra Pradesh, Kannur in Kerala, Itanagar in Arunachal Pradesh, Bharuch in Gujarat and Raiganj in West Bengal.

(c) & (d) Government of India has already accorded approval for setting up of new international airports at Devanhalli near Bangalore, Shamshabad near Hyderabad and Mopa in Goa. There are well laid down procedures for development of greenfield airports and the above proposals have to conform to the prescribed conditions before being considered for approval.